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NOTIFICATION OF ERROR IN PAYMENT OF FEES AS A SMALL ENTITY 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(c)

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Sir:

- 1. On August 10, 2005, a small entity assertion was erroneously made in this application.
- 2. The assertion of small entity status in this application and the payment of the issue fees as a small entity were made in good faith.

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- 3. It has now been discovered that status as a small entity was established in error under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27(a)(2)(i).
 - 4. The Issue Fee paid on August 10, 2005 was paid as a small entity.
 - 5. <u>Itemization of the Fees Erroneously Paid as Small Entity:</u>

Fees Erroneously Paid as a Small Entity	Fee Actually Paid as a Small Entity	Present Fee	Deficiency Owed*
Issue Fee paid on August 10, 2005	\$700.00	\$1440.00	\$740.00
TOTAL	\$700.00	\$1440.00	\$740.00

*The deficiency owed for each previous fee erroneously paid as a small entity is the difference between the current fee amount (for other than a small entity) on the date the deficiency is paid in full and the amount of the previous erroneous (small entity) fee payment. The total deficiency payment owed is the sum of the individual deficiency owed amounts for each fee amount previously erroneously paid as a small entity.

Total deficiency owed:

\$740.00

Payment of Deficiency

- 6. The total deficiency owed is paid as follows:
- ▼ To Credit Card ending in <u>1059</u> Expiration Date <u>08/2010</u>
- Authorization is hereby made to charge any deficiency in fees to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. Please refund any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0650.

Respectfully submitted,

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